did not consider their case in the House, they would block the supply of coal and other commodities to other States, from January next. I, therefore, would like to urge the Government and the Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission to think over it and recommend connecting Hazaribagh with Railway line in the Eighth Five Year Plan.

SHRI BRISHIN PATEL (Siwan): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I would like to draw the attention of the Central Government to the Siwan city in Bihar. The Inter city train starts at 3.a.m. from Siwan Railway station and passes through Chhapra, Patna, Hajipur, Muzaffarpur etc. and employees of these places travel by this train. Its time of departure is 3.a.m. which is too early. So it should be 4. a.m. Similarly, Pachrookhi station is next to Siwan. There is a sugar mill in the town and it is densely populated. Many people from this place go to Patna to work there. Through you, I would, therefore like to request the Central Government that the Inter-City train should halt at Pachrookhi station and its time of departure from Siwan should be changed from 3.a.m. to 4.a.m. In the past also, it used to leave Siwan at 4.a.m.

SHRI CHANDUBHAI DESHMUKH (Bharuch): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, water crisis in Gujarat is deteriorating day by day and famine may occur at any time. Deposited moderate rains only 20 kilogramme of foodgrains have been produced in a 3 acre field in certain hill areas in Gujarat. There are 142 small dams in Gujarat, but only five dams are filled with water. Nearly 3 lakh cattle in the Kutch district have shifted to other places. 6000 villages and 74 cities in Gujarat are experiencing crisis of drinking water. Crisis of drinking water in Bharuch, Ankleshwar, Jambusar, Hansote, Dadiapada, Sagwara, Walia, Jhagadia Tehsil also experience acute water shortage. I visited the Mangrol Tehsil in Surat district and found that our Adivasis brethren were drinking dirty stinking water. This is the condition of the Panchayats which have been given national award.

Sir, I request the Government to solve this problem at the earliest.

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SHRI BHUWAN CHANDRA KHANDURI (Garhwal): Sir, I rise to highlight the longstanding demand of a separate State for the hill districts of Uttar Pradesh.

The demand is a result of long and continuous neglect of the hill areas. Ever since independence, these areas, which have peculiar developmental problems, have remained undeveloped and under-developed.

Before independence, the per capita income of the hills was amongst the highest in the country. Today, after 44 years of our independence, we are among the lowest and in fact one of our districts has the lowest per capita income in the country.

As for industry, out of eight districts, almost five of six are 'Zero Industry' areas.

And because of these, the young men have migrated to plains and today the hills have only old men, women and children.

Sir, the people of the hill areas are simple, honest and loyal. A very large number of our men are serving in the Army and have proved to be the best soldiors and fighters in the world. These people have been peaceful and disciplined in their demand for a separate State.

I request the Government not to force these people to follow the path of violence for creation of a separate State. I, therefore, request all the political parties to view this demand as a genuine developmental neces-

sity for the people of Uttar Pradesh hills and lend their support for creation of separate State for the Uttar Pradesh hills.

The Uttar Pradesh Vidhan Sabha has passed a resolution and the Uttar Pradesh Government has recommended for the creation of Uttaranchal. I, therefore, request the Central Government to accept the will of the people and immediately announce the acceptance of the demand for creation of a separate State.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: I request those who are raising their hand to put their hand down. I shall ow go in accordance with the list before me. Let us have this experiment today. If there is no list, we are subject to likes and dislikes and we may commit some mistakes. Now I call Shri Saifuddin Choudhury to speak.

SHRI HANNON MOLLAH (Uluberia): Sir, for the last three days, I have been giving the notice. You are not calling me.

SHRI SOMNATH CHATTERJEE: Yesterday, there was almost an assurance for Mr. Hanan Mollah. For the last three days he has been trying to raise the matter. Young Members should not be discouraged. They should be encouraged.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: It is true that we shall have to encourage the hon. Members and the Chair is there not to discourage them. But we shall have to follow certain principles which will be applicable to all.

SHRI SAIFUDDIN CHOUDHRY (Katwa): I thank you for giving me time. I am raising a matter which will concern all the hon. Members of the House. This is an item which has appeared in the 'Indian Express' on 3rd December. It is about the custody deaths in Delhi. In the past 23 moths ten such deaths have occurred in the police custody. In a democracy when everybody is concerned about the human rights of our people, police are beating mercilessly and employing very merciless kind of torturing methods and forcing them to death. There are instances given where the custody deaths have taken place:

January, 1990 - Subhash Chand - Geeta Colony police Station.

June, 1990 - Shammu Khan - Seelampur polioce Station.

August, 1990 - Yogendra Pal Gupta - Model Town Police Station.

February, 1991 - Ramswaroop - R.K. Puram Police Station

March, 1991 - Reshna - Gokulpuri Police Station.

May, 1991 - Jagannath - Lahori Gate Police Station.

July, 1991 - Om Prakash Kaushik - Timarpur police Station.

August, 1991 - Jai Ram - Patel Nagar police Station.

November, 1991 - Mukesh Kumar - Kamla Market Police Station.

November, 1991 - Raghunath Kumar - GTB Enclave police station.

How can we remain silent when this kind of things are happening in the capital of our country? The hon. Leader of the House is here. I specifically demand that he makes an assurance in this House. Such things will condemn this country in the international community. Now he must make an assurance that he will have an investigation done into this matter, and identify who are the officers responsible for this kind of a behav-